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House Burned

The residence occupied by Tom H. Marshall and owned by Green Larde in McKenzie was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning between three and four o'clock. It is not known how the fire originated and when discovered the lower rooms were burning and full of smoke. The family were sleeping up stairs and had to jump from the gallery of the second story. The house and entire contents were destroyed. We did not learn whether or not there was any insurance. It was a splendid residence and was well furnished.

Luke Thomas Dead

Luke Thomas died at his home, a few miles north of town, Tuesday morning, after an illness with

cancer of the stomach and enlargement of the liver. He was 64 years old, a member of the Baptist church, a carpenter by trade and a man who stood well in the community. He is survived by four sons, James, of Hereford, Texas; Luke, Jr., of Trezevant; George, of Hollow Rock, and Frank, of Drumright, Okla., and three daughters, Mrs. Dick Crews, with whom he lived; Mrs. Reeves Peeples, of Cleveland, Ohio, and Mrs. Robert Malone, of Jackson. The burial occurred Wednesday afternoon at the Finley burying ground, after funeral services conducted by Rev. S. H. Allen.

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J. B. BROWN TAKES OATH OF OFFICE

New Superintendent of Education Gives Digest of Laws Affecting the Schools

Prof. J. B. Brown was sworn in Saturday morning as superintendent of public instruction, to succeed Albert Williams. With the exception of the appointment of Miss Mildred English as his private secretary, Professor Brown said that the present office force would continue as before.

A digest of all the legislation passed by the last legislature affecting the public schools of the state has been prepared by Professor Brown for distribution to the school authorities of the state and for the guidance of his administration during the next two years.

According to this digest the most important bill passed was House Bill No. 1078, providing for the distribution of the state school funds. This bill combines the permanent school fund, the general education fund and the 5 cent elementary school tax into one fund, to be known as the state school fund. As shown by the digest, the total amount is \$1,346,000.

Of the equalizing fund, which is shown to be \$510,000, each county will get \$6,000 provided that the counties receiving this fund shall levy for elementary schools a tax sufficient to produce the sum of \$5 for each child of school age. It is further provided that when a county has levied the minimum of 30 cents on the \$100 of the assessed valuation of the property, it shall be entitled to receive its proportionate share of all state funds.

Other apportionments of the state school fund were provided as follows: \$100,000 for aiding in the consolidation of schools and supervision of teaching; \$95,000 to supplement the salaries of county superintendents; \$90,000 to each of the three normal schools; \$250,000 for county high schools; \$1,000 to each county and the balance in proportion to the average daily attendance in the county high schools; \$81,000 for vocational education; \$60,000 to the Tennessee Polytechnic Institute at Cookeville; \$55,000 to the A. and I. Normal School for negroes; \$25,000 for teacher training in high schools, and \$20,000 for libraries in public schools.

In addition to the above appropriations, this bill provides for a 3 cent tax for elementary schools, to be distributed as follows: \$2,000 to each county and the remainder on a basis of average daily attendance.

Provision is also made for safeguarding the reports as to daily attendance, affidavits as to correctness of the reports being required and penalties provided for false reports.

Another measure passed repeals all district and special board laws and provides that the various county courts shall elect at the July, 1921, term a county education board of seven members, one of whom shall retire each year upon election of his successor. A budget system is to be instituted and an annual budget submitted to the county courts annually by the county boards of education.

County superintendents of education

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Houston—Johnson

Mr. Howard Houston and Miss Mary Johnson, popular young people of the Hinkledale community, were married last Sunday, the ceremony being said by Rev. Simmons pastor of the Baptist church at Concord. Several friends of the young couple witnessed the marriage. The bride is the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Houston splendid families of that community. They have many friends who wish them a happy and prosperous married life.

Want Hooper's Place

With the announcement of the appointment of former Gov. Ben W. Hooper on the Federal Railroad Labor Board, friends of certain East Tennessee republicans have begun pressing their claims for chancellor of the Thirteenth chancery division, which place Gov. Hooper holds, and which he will resign to accept the place to which he has been nominated by President Harding. Four names have been presented to the governor for consideration, but at this time no appointment has been made.

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